



# GRAND COUNCIL CHIEF ACTIVITY REPORT

June 2010 – August 2010

Greetings Chiefs, Councils and Anishinabek First Nations

During this period of time, tremendous efforts were made by our Anishinabek to maintain our point of sale exemption to successfully avoid the implementation of the HST on our citizens. No Nation can tax another Nation. I applaud your resilience, your resolve and your tremendous diligence of the unity that can be mastered collectively where we are being attacked on our rights. There continues to be a lot of work on the ROJ on governance, restoration of jurisdiction on education, constitutional development, MRP, citizenship and Child Welfare Law Development.

Our Grand Council at Fort William saw as deal exclusively with out issues, leaving Chiefs of Ontario & Assembly of First Nations agenda items to those forums. Obviously issues that needed to go forth to those forums were advanced by our Chiefs.

We are being challenged by Metis invasion in our regions. Direction will be sought at the Fall Assembly to deal with this. We have been diligently advocating your First Nation issues with both Federal and Provincial Governments.

Both the Deputy Grand Chief and myself have attended many community Pow Wows and events to show our support for your First Nation

We recently had the Grand Opening of the UOI Hub facility. It is beautiful and something we should all be proud of as a testament of the leaders who had the vision to develop this facility to better serve our First Nations.

**Algonquin**

**Ojibwa**

**Chippewa**

**Delaware**

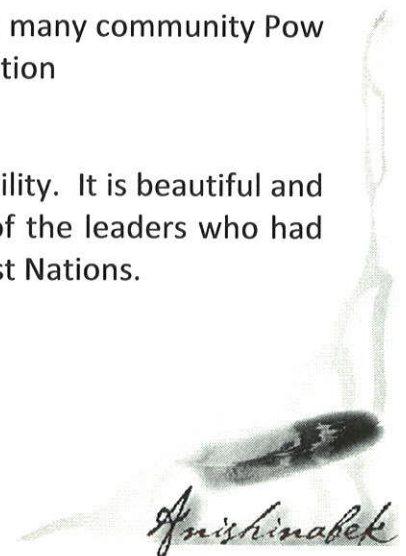
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We continue to fight, we continue to work hard on your behalf, we continue to believe strongly in our rights. We now need to shift our thinking to "implementing" the work that you have directed us to do.

Let's continue to show strength. We are working towards begin more proactive. We have met with Federal and Provincial Ministers including Duncan, Bentley, Gravelle & Duguid & Jeffrey. We've participated in Federal lobby efforts to protect our collective rights & we continue to participate in discussions & strategies on the overall taxation issue. We will continue going forward – working with our communities/Nations in developing & executing our own strategies from an Anishinabek position and establishing or asserting our jurisdiction.



Patrick Wedaseh Madahbee  
Grand Council Chief  
Anishinabek Nation



## GCC ACTIVITY EVENTS SCHEDULE

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| June 1         | Travel from Nipigon HST Rally to Alderville First Nation                            |
| June 2-3       | Chiefs Committee on Governance in Alderville First Nation                           |
| June 5         | Speaking Engagement at Whitefish Lake “HST and Our Future” session                  |
| June 6         | Attended Aundeck Omni Kaning Pow wow  |
| June 7-10      | UOI/AN Grand Council Assembly meeting in Fort William                               |
| June 11        | Holiday   |
| June 14        | Ottawa HST  |
| June 15-16     | Holidays  |
| June 17        | 12 <sup>th</sup> Annual Anishinabek Veterans Memorial Golf Tournament at Hawk Ridge |
| July 18        | In Office--Nipissing  |
| June 22-24     | 36 <sup>th</sup> Annual All Ontario Chiefs Conference in Couchiching                |
| June 24-27     | Kaboni Traditional Gathering in Wikwemikong   |
| June 28-July 1 | Holidays  |
| July 3         | Attended Beausoleil First Nation Pow wow  |
| July 4         | Attended Dokis First Nation Pow wow   |
| July 5         | Munsee Meeting in Toronto   |
| July 6         | In Office-Nipissing   |
| July 7         | Mtg with Chief Shining Turtle   |
| July 8-12      | Holidays  |
| July 13        | Munsee Meeting  |
| July 15        | Meeting with Dr. Phillip Hindle   |
| July 17        | Mississaugas of Scugog Pow wow  |
| July 19        | UOI/AN Caucus Meeting   |
| July 20-23     | Assembly of First Nations Annual General Assembly in Winnipeg                       |
| June 22-24     | All Ontario Chiefs Conference in Couchiching  |
| July 24-25     | Attended Whitefish Lake Pow wow   |
| July 26        | In Office—Nipissing   |
| July 28-29     | Participated in Namaygoosisagun Community Days                                      |
| July 30-31     | Attended Pic Mobert Community Gathering and Pow wow                                 |
| August 1       | Attended Thessalon Pow wow  |
| August 2       | Attended Wikwemikong Pow wow  |
| August 5       | Sagamok Anishinabek Elders Picnic   |

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| August 6    | Annual Leave  |
| August 7-8  | Attended Serpent River Pow wow  |
| August 9-13 | Vacation Time   |
| Aug 16-17   | In Office – Nipissing   |
| Aug 18      | Mtg wit MNR – Chief Michano, Toronto                                  |
| Aug 19      | Attended NSTC Golf Tournament and 25 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner |
| Aug 21      | Attended Whitefish River Pow Wow                                      |
| Aug 23      | Speaking Engagement – Native Mental Health – Sudbury                  |
| Aug 23      | Attended LH Treaty Chiefs Retreat – Whitefish River                   |
| Aug 24      | Planning Preparation with DGC and Policy Analyst                      |
| Aug 25      | Political Planning Session – Elders Hall UOI                          |
| Aug 26      | UOI Hub Grand Opening   |
| Aug 27      | UOI Staff gathering and GCC awards                                    |
| Aug 28-29   | Zhiibaahaasing Pow Wow  |